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1. Whampoa Shipyard is accelerating the construction of motor junks used for coastal patrol. These junks are equipped with armor plate and one or two heavy machine guns, but they are weak in combat ability. Recently a 3,000-ton (sic) commercial ship was towed to Whampoa for conversion to a gunboat.
2. There are about 1,000 workers at Whampoa, including 50 technicians. The chief engineer is a Soviet technical adviser. All workers are under strict watch and control. They all must start and stop work at the same time; and if a person wants leave of absence, he must be guaranteed by five of his fellow workers who are responsible for his returning to work at the stated time.
3. On 21 August Whampoa Shipyard sent 120 shipbuilding workers to Yulin (109-34, 18-12) and issued a call for volunteers from the public to fill the vacancies thus created.

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